



Independent Labour Publications invites you to:

## **Unbalanced Britain: Work, Wages and Labour**

A one day seminar, Leeds, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Since the crash of 2008 the dominance of corporate elites has remained largely unchanged and unchallenged. Instead we have seen ever-increasing pressure on wages and conditions of work, zero hours contracts and cuts to in-work benefits. Over 5 million workers in the UK are paid less than the living wage. Yet such attacks have been met with new forms of resistance, the campaigns for a living wage foremost among them.



This seminar will explore the on-going changes in the labour market and work conditions, their political and social consequences and what is being done in response, both by campaigning groups and by the Labour Party.

### **About the speakers**

**Jane Wills** is Professor of Human Geography at Queen Mary University London specialising in the political economy of work, employment and labour and new forms of urban political alliances such as community organising. She is co-author of *Global Cities at Work: New migrant divisions of labour* (2010, Pluto Press).

**Harry Barnes** is former Labour MP for North-East Derbyshire and author of the blog *threescoreyearsandten*. His recent work has focused on scrutinising the emerging Labour policy platform.

### **Seminar programme:**

10.30:	Arrival and tea/coffee
11.00:	Prof Jane Wills – Work, politics and the living wage
12.30:	Lunch
1.30:	Harry Barnes – What would the Labour Party do?
3.30:	Close: emerging themes and future agenda

### **Venue**

The seminar takes place at the Rose Bowl, Leeds Beckett University, room 412. The Rose Bowl provides a modern venue with easy access for travel by train and car. Rose Bowl, Portland Crescent, Leeds, LS1 3HB <http://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/conferencing/the-rose-bowl.htm>

The event is free but you do need to register in advance, *deadline March 7th*. Please contact us at: [info@independentlabour.org.uk](mailto:info@independentlabour.org.uk); 07799 502 937

## Booking Form

**ILP Seminar: Unbalanced Britain: Work, Wages and Labour**

**Room 412, the Rose Bowl, Leeds Beckett University, Leeds,  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

<b>Name</b>	
<b>Email</b>	
<b>Telephone</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>Any special requirements</b>	

Note: lunch is available (but will have to be paid for) from the Rose Bowl café (sandwiches and snacks) or from various outlets nearby. Tea and coffee will be provided during the day.

**Deadline for registration is Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March**

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